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Applicants note relevant portions of the cited references as follows:

(1) "HANDBOOK OF RECORDING ENGINEERING"

Published: 1986, Van Nostrand Reinhold Company, Inc., New York, U.S.A.  
Author: John M. Eagle

Relevant portions of the document

Page 140, line 6 to page 141, line 14: **4.10 EVOLUTION OF THE IN-LINE  
CONSOLE**

Pages 142 to 143: **Figure 4-23 (a)**

Pages 144: **Figure 4-23 (b)**

Pages 145: **Figure 4-23 (c)**

(2) "KENCHIKU-KANKYO ONKYO-GAKU (Architectural-Environmental Acoustics)"

Second Edition

Published: September 25, 2000, Kyoritsu Shuppan, Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan

Author: Junichi Maekawa, Masayuki Morimoto, Kimihiro Sakagami

Relevant portions of the document

Page 97, lines 9 to 20:

**C. Overdamping; a. Overdamping caused by sound absorption into air**

Page 54, lines 3 to 5: **Figure 3-10 with brief explanation of the graphs therein**

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is  
deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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